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courage and lessens ambition; beauty, vigor  
and cheerfulness soon disappear when the kid-  
neys are out of order or diseased.  
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that it is not uncommon for a child to be born  
afflicted with weak kid-  
neys. If the child urina-  
tes too often, if the  
urine smells the flesh or if, when the child  
reaches an age when it should be able to  
control the passage, it is yet afflicted with  
dis-easing, depend upon it, the cause of  
the difficulty is kidney trouble, and the first  
step should be towards the treatment of  
these important organs. This unpleasant  
trouble is due to a diseased condition of the  
kidneys and bladder and not to a habit as  
most people suppose.  
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erable with kidney and bladder trouble,  
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cent and one dollar bot-  
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free, also pamphlet tell-  
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Makes Kidneys and Bladder Right

## HERE'S THE LOG OF A "LOVE PIRATE"

Being the Diary of a Girl Involved  
in Chicago Divorce, with  
"Shadow Kiss."

GIVES NEW POINTS ON LOVE

Writes "It's Awful to Have to Talk  
to a Kid That is Silly About You  
When You Really Need Rest"—  
Called "Sunny Mary."

Chicago, Ill.—Miss Mary McLain,  
who was named in the successful  
suit for divorce brought by Mrs. Al-  
legretti, wife of a candy manufac-  
turer, has, in justification of herself,  
made public part of a diary which  
she kept while she was employed as  
Mr. Allegretti's secretary. She de-  
termined on this after her employ-  
er's wife had called her a "love  
pirate." At the trial Miss McLain be-  
came known as the "Shadow Kiss-  
er," witnesses testifying that they  
recognized her shadow on the office  
curtains when Mr. Allegretti em-  
braced her.

Here are some of the extracts  
from the young secretary's diary:—  
"It's awful to have to talk to a  
kid that is silly about you when you  
really need rest. It takes young  
men an awful while to get wise to a  
dilemma.

"These sad-eyed men make me  
weepy. Ginger! All the fellows  
that think I'm cute are married or  
bald headed, or both.

"It's hard to be good when the first  
principle of life in the sweet, pure  
air of the farm is to sell cold  
storage eggs for new laid.

"I'd rather chase home a cow with  
cattle burrs in her tail through a  
wet pasture than go three blocks for  
a patent bottle of milk with all the  
cream in one end.

"I'm thinking of opening a man-  
icure parlor for exclusive patronage—  
that means nothing less than \$5.  
Ma says the only people I'd get  
would be lunatics. That's all right,  
too. All the manicures would be  
dead if it were not for the manicures.

"If kisses were ten dollar bills  
what a merry world this would be!

"Now this diary is to tell just only  
the absolute truth, and it's only for  
me to read, because one doesn't dare  
to tell the truth to one's friends, and  
one's enemies aren't worth talking to.

"I've found out what love is. It  
was in a book written by a man who  
said he'd been loved by more women  
than he had fingers and toes. He  
says love is a distemper. Gee! That's  
what McClintock's pup had when his  
hair fell out and they drowned him  
because he couldn't die from chloro-  
form. I think I see my finish.

"Oh, I believe I have found the  
man. He's at least thirty-five, but  
he is the darlinest dandy in Chicago,  
and he isn't married. When I  
told Pa he said to wait a month or  
two, because the worst spavined  
horse looks all right in the twilight.  
Pa's getting to be a pessimist.

"Oh! Little Mary, why is it that  
all the women wait until they are  
fifty and wear double lens glasses to  
talk women's rights? I guess it is  
because they don't find the sleddin'  
quite so easy as they used to.

"Now, just think of me morbid.  
Why they called me 'Sunny Mary'  
from the time I was four, and the  
first time I ever can remember being  
real angry was when they fed my  
milk toast to the Bishop because he  
had been teeth and I'd been crying  
for it for over an hour. I was only  
six then, but it shows you how they  
rub it into the suffering little ones."

"CUTS WAY OUT OF ICEBOX.  
Butcher Nearly Frozen by Two Hours  
of Imprisonment.

Oakland, Cal.—Fred. Lewis, a  
local butcher, entered his icebox at  
the close of business to adjust his  
stock and took along an axe.

A spring lock on the outside  
slipped into place as the door slipped  
from his hand, and he immediately  
began pounding and shouting for  
assistance. The intense cold rendered  
him numb, and he finally, after two  
hours' imprisonment, attacked the  
walls with the axe.

Neighbors who heard the muffled  
blows believed that burglars were  
operating, and as Lewis crawled  
through the hole he had made he  
was confronted by a policeman, to  
whom he explained the situation.

**Uncovers Mastodon's Tooth.**  
Morocco, Ind.—While digging a  
ditch in Colfax township, Lewis  
Guthrie unearthed a part of the  
skeleton of a mastodon, among which  
was a tooth that measured nine  
inches in length and five inches in  
width and weighed almost ten  
pounds. The tooth is well preserved.  
Many other bones of mastodons have  
been unearthed near here in the last  
three or four years.

**Use Cane for Laths.**  
Washington, D. C.—Consul Rich-  
ard M. Bartleman, of Madrid, re-  
ports that the use of canes for laths  
for plastering purposes is general  
throughout Spain, and that they are  
durable and give most satisfactory  
results. In Valencia bamboo cut  
into strips is also used, is very strong  
and holds the plaster well.

**Start the New Year right by pay-  
ing what you owe.**

**Value of Ammonia.**  
Do not use soap in cleaning marble  
steps and mantels. It yellows them.  
Better results are had from washing  
with water softened with ammonia.

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## AS TO A WOMAN'S AGE.

She Never Grows Old But Improves  
as Years Pass.

Out in Missouri there is a happy  
man who has been married for sixty  
years and he ascribes all the joy that  
has come to him because he has never  
asked his wife her age. He has a  
suspicion that she must be some-  
thing like as old as he is, and he ad-  
mits to have never been mentioned be-  
tween them, and he advises all hus-  
bands to go and do likewise.

This philosophy may have merit.  
It at least would have that of econ-  
omy, for if a woman were never to tell  
her age she would never admit  
having a birthday, and the thrifty  
husband would be saved and ex-  
penditures on this account. Unfor-  
tunately such is the nature of woman-  
kind that it is not likely there would  
be any great gain at the end of the  
year, for she would be able to get a  
rake-off on some other count that  
would make up the alleged profit.

Why are women in this part of  
the world so chary of admitting the  
years to which they have attained?  
It is not so in China, where added  
honors come with each birthday, and  
to be wrinkled and gray-haired is to  
be popular. In this country women  
think they may secure eternal youth  
either by not admitting their age or  
by lying about it. Not many women  
will admit to being over forty.

It used to be so that they like thirty  
pretty well, but in the last score of  
years the woman of forty has come  
into her own and is quite the social  
queen. But they don't get beyond  
that so long as the hairdresser, the  
drug store and the massage artist  
can keep at work on complexion,  
while corset makers and milliners  
and dress-makers work on the figure.

It is the feminine theory that a woman  
is as young as she looks and she  
often is willing to feel mighty bad  
to keep up the appearance of youth.

What is the harm in admitting  
age? One ought to be wiser and  
better as one gets older and more ac-  
tivated. The ordinary man has no  
delusions on this subject. He isn't  
even deluded by the wiles and airs  
of women. He smiles at their sub-  
terfuge and says nothing. He is will-  
ing to dress according to the weather  
and he is not ashamed of wrinkles  
or white hair so long as he can have  
peace in the world. He may find  
that his wife or daughters spend an  
extraordinary amount in preserving  
what the fashionable whims of the  
hour called youth, but he is wise  
enough to keep his mouth shut.

Women do not grow old. They  
change and the right sort of women  
is improving all the time. If it is  
any satisfaction to them to deceive  
themselves they are not to be denied  
the privilege. It takes very little to  
make some people happy and let  
them have their way. But Father  
Time works relentlessly and "gets  
there" at last.

**Picnic Hints.**  
The lunch for a picnic should be  
abundant in variety and dainty.

Sandwiches should be wrapped  
separately in waxed paper, and pack-  
ed in pasteboard boxes, each variety  
in a box by itself.

The cake should be baked in sheets,  
out in squares, iced with various fla-  
vored icings, wrapped in wax paper  
and packed in a pasteboard box.

Chicken and all cold meats should  
be kept whole, and not carved and  
sliced before packing.

All fruits should be firm, never  
overripe, and well cleaned before  
putting into the basket.

The lemon-juice should be squeez-  
ed at home, and bottled; and don't  
forget a supply of powdered sugar.

Cold coffee, tea, milk and grape-  
juice can be bottled, put into pails,  
and surrounded by ice, wrapped in  
clean, heavy bags.

If hot coffee is desired, a small al-  
cohol lamp can be slipped into the  
basket.

Don't forget to put in plenty of  
relishes, such as pickles, olives, rad-  
ishes and spiced fruits, as they are  
specially enjoyed at a picnic.

And don't forget the salt.

**For and Against Suffrage Cause.**  
Marie Corelli continues to write  
and speak against "votes for wom-  
en." In England, while Beatrice Har-  
rard is busy traveling from place to  
place giving readings from "Ships  
that Pass in the Night" and her other  
books to raise money to help the  
suffrage cause. It is said that Miss  
Corelli has refused to meet Miss  
Harrard in debate, saying she  
didn't care to make a spectacle of  
herself.

**Senators Faithful Wife.**  
Mrs. Thomas P. Gore, wife of the  
blind Senator from Oklahoma, accom-  
panies her husband to each session  
of the Senate, and watches every ges-  
ture of the man in whose election she  
contributed more than any one else.

The senator himself calls her "his  
eyes and right hand," and says she  
knows more about parliamentary law  
and politics than any other woman in  
the country.

**Quit Teaching After 48 Years.**  
Miss Eliza E. Brown of Taunton,  
Mass., resigned as a public school  
teacher after forty-eight years of  
service. The school committee pen-  
sioned her at the rate of \$400 a year.

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olutions.**

## FALSE SPIRITUALIST DUPES DRESDEN

Summons Herr Dr. Bombastus  
and Extracts \$161,000 from  
His Followers.

HAD "PHILOSOPHER'S STONE"

Spirit Knew How to Turn Base  
Metals into Gold — "Factory"  
About to Be Built When Police  
Seize the Alleged Swindler.

Dresden, Saxony.—The highly in-  
tellectual citizens of this capital de-  
light to call it the Athens of the  
Elbe. Nevertheless, Dresden is  
known all over Germany as the  
abode of an extraordinary number  
of faddists, spiritualists, theosophists,  
telepathists—all the isms. And as if  
to prove how narrow is the line be-  
tween wisdom and folly and that the  
brainy people of Dresden are easily  
duped a spiritualist medium Herr  
Bergmann was arrested the other  
day charged with swindling his con-  
fiding followers out of no less a sum  
than \$161,000.

Bergmann, at one time manager  
of a porcelain factory, turned his  
acute mind to affairs less earthly and  
summoned from the vast deep a  
spirit, "Herr Dr. Bombastus," who  
knew the secret of "the philosopher's  
stone," who could transmute the  
base metals into gold.

First the crafty Bergmann had to  
assemble the credulous chaff of  
whom he had duped the gold mining  
Bombastus. So during several years  
Bergmann got around him a number  
of women and men all of conside-  
rable means, all well educated, all seek-  
ing to lift the impenetrable veil that  
hid the unknown.

As soon as he thought everything  
was ripe for his undertaking Berg-  
mann announced to his followers  
that he was about to build a factory  
where lead iron and copper would  
be changed into the precious metal.  
He collected his dupes at a great  
banquet, and after some mysterious  
formalities summoned the spirit of  
Herr Dr. Bombastus—well named—  
a shade wholly unknown to those  
present, but which asserted that the  
new "works" were to be called after  
his name, and now was the time to  
begin the building.

The innocents present handed out  
their thousand-mark notes and Berg-  
mann opened a banking account.

Every week there was a séance,  
and at one of them Bergmann in-  
formed his dupes that Bombastus  
was the spirit of a great physician  
who lived 500 years ago and knew  
all about turning ordinary metal into  
gold. Rich bankers and butchers,  
tailors and shoe manufacturers in a  
big way of business joined the frater-  
nity; even several Government of-  
ficials handed in their names and  
their thousand marks.

Bombastus was summoned night-  
ly, and the gist of his communica-  
tions was "give." And they gave  
until finally Bergmann had \$161,000  
in bank, besides a considerable sum  
with which to begin the "works."

He kept all the wires in his own  
hands and he and Bombastus and  
other worthy learned in the stars,  
who professed to know the exact  
hour when the corner-stone of the  
"works" was to be laid, agreed to  
share the plunder.

Besides the séances there were  
prayer meetings, at which Bergmann,  
dressed as a "high priest," stood be-  
fore an elaborate altar and went  
through various mummeries of his  
own invention. One of his disciples  
gave him in one sum \$100,000.  
There were no small contributions,  
as Bergmann said his "works" must  
have solid foundations.

And now the Saxon police are ex-  
amining into this gigantic and bare-  
faced fraud and Dresden citizens are  
beginning to ask whether their city  
still deserves the name of "Athens  
on the Elbe."

**CURE FOR LOVESICKNESS.**  
Doctor Says It Can Be Treated—One  
Remedy. Get a New Love.

Chicago.—In a lecture before the  
Chicago College of Medicine Dr. A.  
R. Hagle explained a cure for love-  
sickness.

"A doctor can prepare himself to  
treat lovesickness through mental in-  
fluence just as more serious ills are  
treated by it," he said. "One sug-  
gestion is to find a new love. This  
occasionally cures an old love com-  
plaint."

He commended the theory of  
Bishop Fallows of mind and medi-  
cine working in harmony.

**Water Power for Mountain Trains.**  
Winnipeg, Man.—Sir Thomas  
Shagnessy, president of the Cana-  
dian Pacific Railway, said that the  
company is preparing to operate  
trains over the mountains by elec-  
tricity generated by water power for  
700 miles probably the biggest rail-  
way undertaking in the history of  
the continent.

**Gun Throws Two-Ton Projectile.**  
St. Petersburg, Russia.—A pro-  
jectile weighing two tons is threat-  
ened for Russia's next hostilities. A  
new and terrible "engine of war" has  
been invented by the engineer Beso-  
brasov, and it has been tested with  
successful results. The range of this  
formidable weapon is four miles.

**Don't break your New Year res-  
olutions.**

**First-Class Job Work done at this  
office.**

## CURES HORSES OF KICKING.

Apparatus Having a Whip Which  
Strikes Horse Automatically.

Horses and other animals pos-  
sessed of the bad habit of kicking  
can be easily cured by the employ-  
ment of an apparatus recently pat-  
ented by an Ohio man. The appar-  
atus was designed with the object  
of automatically chastising the animal  
immediately subsequent to the act  
of kicking. The chastisement is ad-  
ministered by means of a whip sus-  
pended above the animal when he  
shows a tendency to exercise his legs  
too freely.

The necessary parts of the appar-  
atus are a kicking board, an adjust-  
able holder and a whip. Assuming  
that the parts are in operative pos-  
ition the horse kicks against the kick-

ing board and forces it against the  
wall of the stall. The whip then  
is thus forced in against the wall,  
the upper portion causing the whip  
to descend and strike the animal a  
sharp blow. When the whip has  
reached its limit of movement it re-  
turns to its normal position.

**Advertising on Trees.**  
One of the most disagreeable spec-  
tacles along village streets and coun-  
try roads is the sight of noble trees  
disfigured by furring advertisements  
and notices of various sorts. A  
splendid oak, which commanded the  
landscape long before the Revolu-  
tion, and arouses the sentiment of  
veneration in the mind of anyone  
who has a love for the beautiful  
relics of the past receives no respect  
from the village people.

To this tree a local tradesman at-  
taches a hideous advertisement of a  
clothing store. Below that the ad-  
vertisement of some fertilizer, rudely  
printed on cotton cloth, flaps in the  
wind, offending the eyes of human  
beings and frightening passing  
horses.

Upon the great elm in a village  
green are tacked all manner of an-  
nouncements—of local concerts and  
meetings, of lost breast-pins and  
jack-knives, and of auction sales.  
Its gray and venerable sides are fur-  
rowed and defaced by the nails driv-  
en there by several generations.

Seeing a tree served in this man-  
ner, the correspondent of a contem-  
porary has proposed that a placard  
be read as follows be added to the  
rest:

**LOST! THE DIGNITY OF THIS TREE  
THROUGH THE DISRESPECT  
OF THE TOWNSPEOPLE!**

This ill treatment of old trees is  
generally the result of thoughtless-  
ness, and not of deliberate intention,  
and it is possible that such a placard  
might lead people to think. There  
certainly should be a convenient  
place in every village for such an-  
nouncements as those described  
but that place is not the most grace-  
ful and venerable tree in the town-  
nor, indeed, any tree at all.

**World's Biggest Pile of Sawdust.**  
Probably the largest sawdust pile  
in the world is the one at Cheboygan,  
Mich. This is the product of one  
mill. The mill, being run by wa-  
ter power, had no way of disposing  
of its sawdust. The company was  
not permitted to dump it into the  
river, and for a few years an attempt  
was made to burn it.

There was so much smoke that the  
village passed an ordinance prohib-  
iting that form of destruction. As a  
consequence it was simply hauled  
out into a vacant field and during the  
thirty years of its growth has ac-  
quired monstrous proportions. It is a  
hill 1,080 feet long, 875 feet wide  
and ranges from 20 to 50 feet high.

The hill covers some twelve acres.  
It is almost entirely white and Nor-  
way pine sawdust, because the mill  
did not cut hemlock, except for the  
last two or three years before it was  
closed down.

**Life of the Railwayman.**  
Trainmen are the class of workers  
most subject to long, irregular hours  
of duty, and there is nothing so like-  
ly to make a man unnerved and un-  
fit for dangerous work as this. The  
strain of long hours and the rest-  
lessness of irregularity soon find out  
the strongest and most robust of  
men. Little wonder, then, that we  
find them with prematurely gray  
heads.—Railway Review.

**Expensive Wrappers.**  
Many housekeepers are paying  
from 15 to 30 cents a pound for pa-  
per, twine, pasteboard, tin and cloth,  
which they take from goods they  
buy and throw away, but it is all to  
the advantage of the man who sold  
them the goods and counted the  
wrapper in the weight which the pur-  
chaser paid for.

**Salt Liked by Fowls.**  
A little salt given in the soft food  
of fowls is very acceptable to them.

**The Australian gum trees grows  
to a height of 415 feet.**

## FARM AND GARDEN

UNHEALTHY FRUIT TREES.

Condition of Soil Has Much to Do  
With Orchard's Success.

The physical condition of the soil  
has much to do with the unhealthiness  
of many fruit trees, writes L. C. B.  
To make fruit growing a success  
there are two great essentials in get-  
ting the ground ready for setting out  
the young trees. The ground must be  
properly drained and it must be in  
good physical condition. Some hardy  
trees may live for a time on undrain-  
ed ground, but it is only a question of  
time when they will die out. I be-  
lieve that underdraining will pay  
with all kinds of fruits. It warms  
the soil and frees the subsoil of all  
excess water, and in this way liber-  
ates much plant food that otherwise  
would not be available to the feeding  
roots. On thoroughly drained soil  
the root system of the trees is health-  
ier and they are ready for work ear-  
lier in the spring. As trees become  
larger and come into bearing they  
need larger feeding grounds; so it is  
essential that the ground be thor-  
oughly cultivated, both before the  
trees are planted and afterwards. If  
trees are properly put out and care-  
fully cultivated the first two or three  
years, the roots will penetrate deeply  
and seek larger feeding grounds. On  
the other hand, if no cultivation is  
given the ground the roots grow near  
the surface where their feeding  
ground is soon limited and where  
they are the most easily affected by  
dry weather. It is obvious, then,  
that so many miserable failures of  
orchards is due to the lack of these  
two factors—drainage and proper  
physical condition of the soil. I saw  
an orchard a few days ago which had  
been set out only nine years. In  
many places there were great cracks  
in the soil about the trees and be-  
tween the rows. I would not give  
twenty-five cents a bushel for the  
apples gathered from that orchard  
this year. You simply cannot  
grow fine specimen apples under such  
poor conditions, and it is a waste of  
time to attempt it.

**Liquefying Extracted Honey.**  
When heat is applied to extracted  
honey to liquefy it, it will be found  
that the centre of the mass will re-  
main solid long after the outer part  
has become melted, and the danger  
is that the outer part will become  
over-heated while the center is melt-  
ing. This danger is the greater, the  
lower the temperature of the whole  
mass when the heat is applied. If  
the entire lot be at the freezing point,  
the center may easily remain solid  
while the outer part has been scold-  
ed by boiling. The plain suggestion  
is that we should have the mass  
warmed before beginning to melt it.  
Let it remain in a room whose tem-  
perature has been raised to 100 de-  
grees, or as near as convenient, to  
that point, until the whole mass has  
been warmed through to the center,  
and then a very little heat will melt  
the center. Indeed, it is possible  
that by leaving it in such hot air a  
sufficiently long time it may become  
liquid throughout without additional  
heat.

**Bees Drive Out Birds.**  
A large yellowhammer pecked a  
hole in a poplar post on the front  
porch of the old DePauw house,  
three miles west of Booneville, Ind.,  
and built its nest. So on a large  
swarm of bees settled on the roof of  
the porch, and finding the opening  
made by the bird, they entered and  
began to make it their home. The  
birds saw them intruding on their  
young one and began to fight des-  
perately to save them. They flew  
around with great effort, catching the  
bees in their bills and crushing them.  
The bees fought back by stinging the  
birds. In the end the bees triumphed.  
They drove the birds away from their  
young ones and are storing  
ing honey in the old post.

**Bees and Wild Flowers.**  
Every farm has on it fruit trees,  
berry patches, clover, or buckwheat  
fields all of which, in the absence of  
bees, is evaporated by the sun and  
practically wasted. The forests also  
contain many linden and white wood  
trees which are good honey yielders.  
Then there are the autumn wild flow-  
ers, such as boneset, goldenrod, harts-  
ease and wild asters, which bloom  
for a succession of two months, from  
which the bees do not only store a  
quantity of surplus honey, but also  
fill the broad nests of the hives for  
winter stores. In my locality bee-  
keepers get the most and finest honey  
from autumn wild flowers which  
grow at random everywhere.

**Improved Orchards.**  
The work in orchard renovation at  
the Maine experiment station is  
claimed to have shown that an old,  
unprofitable apple orchard may be  
brought into profitable bearing con-  
dition and the trees induced to an-  
nual bearing by proper use of fer-  
tilizers in connection with culture  
pruning and spraying. The station  
recommends fertilizer containing  
about three per cent nitrogen, six per  
cent phosphoric acid, and eight to  
ten per cent potash, also using cov-  
er crops in the orchard as a source  
of vegetable matter.

**Salt Liked by Fowls.**  
A little salt given in the soft food  
of fowls is very acceptable to them.

**The Australian gum trees grows  
to a height of 415 feet.**

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